

MINUTES

UTAH EDUCATION COMMITTEE BOARD OF NURSING

June 27, 2008

**Room 474 – 4th Floor – 8:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 8:15 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 9:50 a.m.

Bureau Manager:
Secretary:

Laura Poe
Shirlene Kimball

Conducting:

Pam Rice

Board Members Present:

Pam Rice
Peggy Brown
Mary Williams

Board Members Excused:

Diane Forster-Burke

Guests:

Vickie Dewnsup
Katherine Dimmock
Linda Peterson

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

April 25, 2008 Education Committee minutes:

The minutes were approved as written. All Committee members in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Review NCLEX pass rates for Provisionally approved programs:

The NCLEX results were reviewed.

Carolyn Lewis,
Utah Career College:

Dr. Lewis was not able to attend the meeting.

Debra Edmunds,
Mountainland:

Ms. Edmunds was not able to meet with the Committee but provided a written report for review. Committee members reviewed and accepted the report.

Katherine Dimmock,
Linda Petersen
Ameritech College:

Dr. Dimmock and Ms. Peterson met with Committee members. Dr. Dimmock indicated there are approximately 36 graduates who have not taken or who have not passed the NCLEX examination. These students are mainly from the first group of students. There are 20 students who have failed the NCLEX who have been placed into an individualized study plan. Dr. Dimmock indicated some of the failures are English as second language students. She indicated the program has considered requiring the TOFEL exam with a score of 700. Dr. Williams questioned whether or not they have identified a weakness in the curriculum? Dr. Dimmock stated they have looked at the curriculum and have changes have been made. Dr. Dimmock stated faculty members are now more involved in all aspects of the program. She indicated the objectives still need to be worked on and should be ready to present to the Committee in July. Dr. Dimmock stated course descriptions have been placed with the outcomes. Committee members requested a Dr. Dimmock include a list of faculty member involved with each course. Dr. Dimmock stated they have not submitted the NLNAC candidacy status application because revisions need to be made.

Dr. Dimmock indicated the program would like to offer the PN to RN program one more time. She indicated they have contacted the PN community and let them know what they are proposing to do. There are currently between seven and fifteen students who would be in the class.

Dr. Williams made a motion to approve offering the one time LPN to RN program, but they need to keep the Board informed of the number of students admitted and any effect it will have on the clinical sites. Ms. Brown seconded the Motion. All Committee members in favor.

Vicky Dewsnup
Stevens-Henager College:

Dr. Dewsnup indicated Traci Hardell has been hired as Dean of Nursing for Stevens-Henager College – Ogden campus. Ms. Hardell was not able to be present, but submitted a written report. Committee members reviewed the report. Dr. Dewsnup requested the Committee consider allowing the program to accept 20 students every other month. The program

currently accepts 10 students every other month and this would double the number of students in the program. Dr. Dewsnap stated the program has the faculty members and clinical sites to support the increase in the number of students. Committee members expressed concern regarding clinical sites. Dr. Dewsnap stated if there are no clinical sites available, they would not increase the number of students. However, she indicated Ogden Regional, Brigham City Hospital and Davis Hospital have added one more shift for Stevens Henager's students. She stated the students are receiving pediatrics from two day care centers and one DDMR facility.

Dr. Dewsnap indicated they have submitted the NLNAC candidacy application and will provide the Board with a copy of the approval when they receive it. She reported their self-study should be completed by December. She reported all faculty members are involved in working on the curriculum. Dr. Dewsnap reported there are three cohorts in process. The first cohort is almost finished with the program. There are 18 RN students and two PN students in this cohort. The 2nd cohort has 9 students and will finish in November. The third cohort of 10 just started clinical placements and will finish in April. The cohort starting in August will have 10 students and the cohort starting in October will have 10, unless the Committee approves the request for an increase in the number of students. They would like to accept 20 students for the October cohort and 20 students for the December cohort. Dr. Dewsnap indicated they will not decrease the standards for admission. She indicated they would alternate between day and evening, the August cohort would be admitted as day students, the October cohort would be admitted as evening students. She indicated it would be a two year program, admitting 20 students every other month, and the total cap would be 140 students.

Dr. Williams made a Motion to table the request until July. By then the Candidacy Status report should have been received. The program will also need to have the clinical sites sign an agreement for clinical placement. Ms. Brown seconded the Motion. All Committee members in favor.

Salt Lake Community College Online
program:

SLCC will be offering their entire curriculum online;
however, the clinicals would be traditional.
Committee members indicated approval for the
program.

Discussion:

Ms. Poe indicated any program that is offering a
degree that leads to licensure must go through the
approval process. This means that the University of
Utah generic DNP program should have submitted an
intent to begin the program, an application and the
application fee for approval. The generic BSN
program at Utah Valley University should also have
submitted the intent to begin a program with an
application and fee. Ms. Poe indicated these
programs need to submit an application by August.

*Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the
business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.*

August 14, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Pam Rice
Pam Rice, Acting Chair, Education Committee Board of
Nursing

August 14, 2008
Date Approved

(ss) Laura Poe
Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing